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COMPLEMENT INCREASES

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FROM AMBASSADOR AND AAO RUIZ

1. AFTER CAREFUL STUDY, WE HAVE IDENTIFIED THREE
ADDITIONAL AMERICAN POSTIONS (STATE) WHICH WE CON-
SIDER ESSENTIAL TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT, UNDER
JAS, TO RAPIDLY EXPANDED MISSION OPERATIONS.

2. POSTIONS ARE (A) ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/SECRETARIAL
(REF (I)); ASSISTANT GSO SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT; NURSE.

3. IN RECOGNITION OF SUPPORT RECEIVED UNDER JAS IN
CRUCIAL START-UP PHASE, IN BELIEF THAT MORE AMERICANS
NEEDED NOW THAN WILL ULTIMATELY BE THE CASE BECAUSE WE
MUST START VIRTUALLY FROM SCRATCH INTZRAININWD
LOCAL STAFF, AND THEREFORE AS TRANSITIONAL MEASURE,
AAO SUPPORTS CONCEPT OF 100 PERCENT AID FUNDING OF
FIRST YEAR (I. E. FY 74) POSITION COSTS AND REQUESTS
NECESSARY ALLOTMENT INCREASE. THEREAFTER, AS SPECIFIED
REF (C), POSITIONS WOULD BE FUNDED AS REGULAR SAS
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POSITIONS WITH ALL AGENCIES SHARING SALARY COSTS

STRICTLY ON BASIS IDENTIFIED SERVICES RECEIVED. IN PRESENT RAPID BUILD-UP PHASE, SUCH IDENTIFICATION EXTREMELY DIFFICULT. BY END FY 74 WE SHOULD HAVE MUCH CLEARER PICTURE OF WHO IS DOING WHAT AND FOR WHOM.

4. WE WISH PROCEED WITH RECRUITMENT FOR THESE POSITIONS SOONEST. WE HAVE CANDIDATE FOR ADMIN ASSISTANT POSITION. POSSIBILITY OF LOCATION OF COMTECH WITH NURSE WIFE SHOULD BE EXPLORED BY DEPT. AS DEPT AWARE SECOND COMMUNICATOR POSITION HAS NOT BEEN FILLED AND WE CURRENTLY OPERATING ON TDY BASIS. POSSIBILITY OF EMPLOYMENT FOR WIFE MIGHT ATTRACT COMMUNICATOR WHO OTHERWISE MIGHT BE UNINTERESTED. IN ANY CASE NURSE ESSENTIAL. AS OF END JULY WE WILL HAVE ABOUT 85 AMERICAN EMPLOYEES AND DEPENDENTS ON BOARD WITH CURRENT NURSE LEAVING MID-AUGUST. ASSISTANT GSO FOR SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT CAN BE JUNIOR BUT HIS ASSIGNMENT ESSENTIAL TO SUPPORT FINK IN BROAD SUPERVISION OF MISSION-WIDE GENERAL SERVICES NEEDS.

5. WILL GO INTO ENTIRE QUESTION OF ADDITIONAL LOCAL ADMIN SUPPORT POSITIONS FOLLOWING ARRIVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER BALDRIDGE.

6. SEPARATE AIDAC MESSAGE TREATS AID'S NEED FOR TWO ADDITIONAL AMERICAN PROGRAM POSITIONS (A) AGRICULTURAL SPECIALIST AND (B) SECRETARY. AMBASSADOR PREPARED APPROVE REQUISITE INCREASE IN OPRED CEILING PROVIDED RECOMMENDATIONS PARAS 2 AND 3 APPROVED.

7. REF REF (A), ARRANGEMENTS WITH PEACE CORPS WORKING OUT VERY WELL SO FAR. ESSENTIALLY, EXCEPT FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND P
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